

HOUSE No. 1192

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, March 24, 1927.

The committee on Ways and Means, to whom was referred the Bill providing for the appointment of additional officers in the Division of State Police of the Department of Public Safety (House, No. 631), report that the same ought to pass in a new draft herewith submitted (House, No. 1192).

For the committee,

RENTON WHIDDEN.

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Twenty-Seven.

An Act providing for the Appointment of Additional Officers in the Division of State Police of the Department of Public Safety.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section nine A of chapter twenty-two of
2 the General Laws, inserted therein by chapter four
3 hundred and sixty-one of the acts of nineteen hundred
4 and twenty-one, as amended by chapter three hundred
5 and thirty-one of the acts of nineteen hundred and
6 twenty-two, is hereby further amended by striking out
7 in line five the words "one hundred and forty", and
8 inserting in place thereof the words:— two hundred,—
9 so as to read as follows:— *Section 9A.* Whenever the
10 governor shall deem it necessary to provide more effec-
11 tively for the protection of persons and property and
12 for the maintenance of law and order in the common-
13 wealth, he may authorize the commissioner to make
14 additional appointments not exceeding two hundred in
15 number to the division of state police, together with
16 such other employees as the governor may deem neces-
17 sary for the proper administration thereof. The appoint-
18 ment of the additional officers herein provided for shall
19 be by enlistment for terms not exceeding three years,

20 and such appointees shall be exempt from the require-
21 ments of civil service law and rules. Said additional
22 officers shall have and exercise within the commonwealth
23 all the powers of constables, except the service of civil
24 process, and of police officers and watchmen. The com-
25 missioner may, subject to the approval of the governor,
26 make rules and regulations for said additional force,
27 including matters pertaining to their discipline, organi-
28 zation and government, compensation and equipment,
29 and means of swift transportation; provided, that said
30 force shall not be used or called upon for service in any
31 industrial dispute, unless actual violence has occurred
32 therein, and then only by order of the governor or the
33 person acting in his place. Any member of said force
34 violating any of the rules or regulations for said force
35 shall be subject to discipline or discharge in accordance
36 with said rules and regulations. The commissioner may
37 expend annually for the expenses of administration,
38 organization, government, training, compensation, equip-
39 ment and maintenance such amount as the general
40 court may appropriate.

1 SECTION 2. Of the sixty additional appointments to
2 the division of state police authorized by section one,
3 not more than thirty shall be made until after June
4 first in the current fiscal year, and the remaining thirty
5 appointments shall not be made until after June first
6 in the fiscal year nineteen hundred and twenty-eight.

